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Mr. Garrison:

Enclosed, please find the promised photograph of myself directly from the hands of the artist. It intimates in unequivocal language, that age has already placed upon me its signet; and thrown my boyhood far back in the past, though my locks are not as blanched as the picture would have them appear, as the accompanying specimen just clipped from my scalp, will prove.

I have also mailed to your address, three newspapers, printed about a dozen years since, which I found the other day - one relates to political

Matters and the other two contain a verbatim speech as phonographically reported, delivered to a body of spiritualists. and will furnish you some idea as to the tendencies of my mind. In speaking of the powers of the mind and the limitations upon it, in the last part of the address, I had occasion to refer to yourself with other men who have made the world better for their having lived. I do not send it as possessing any rhetorical or philosophical merit, but as the pointing of a straw, indicating my appreciation of yourself and the great results flowing therefrom.

I am anxious to hear of your estimate of my C. H. system. and cannot but hope it will meet with your hearty approval. I shall esteem it as a great favor, if you will suggest any improvement, & point out any faults you may find in the general plan.

Excuse haste.

Fraternally yours Jno. A. Collins